RANGAYYA NATOU) : (a) and (b) Government of India and Government of Maharashtra have signed a Loan Agreement in July, 1992 with World Bank for the second Maharashtra Power Project of MSEB. The conditions of the Loan Agreement are as under:—

(i) Government of India to open and maintain a special deposit account in Dollars with the Reserve Bank of India.

(ii) Government of India to take all necessary action to ensure adequate coal supplies for the efficient operation of the power plant to be constructed under the project.

(iii) To submit audit report of statement of expenditure within 9 months after the end of each financial year.

Gujarat Electricity Board is one of the beneficiaries of the World Bank Loan sanctioned to Government of India in February, 1992 towards Power Utility Efficiency Improvement Project to be financed through Power Finance Corporation. The conditions laid down by the World Bank include:—

(i) The State Electricity Board should have signed an Operational and Financial Action Plan (OFAP) acceptable to PFC and the World Bank.

(ii) The project should be economically justified, with a rate of return of not less than 12%.

(iii) The project should have all statutory clearances.

(iv) The amount will be on-lent to the State Electricity Boards by the Power Finance Corporation.

(c) There is no direct nexus between the loan and the fixation of electricity tariff.

(d) The details of the arrears outstanding of the Central Power Sector Undertakings, against the various SEBs as on 28th February, 1994 are given in the Annexure. *(See* Appendix 170, Annexure No. 75].

(e) State Governments have been requested to clear the outstanding dues of the Central Power Sector Undertakings from time to time including in the Power Ministers' Conference held on 8th and 9th January, 1993. Action has also been taken to adjust the overdues of Central Power Sector Undertakings from Central Plan Assistance payable to the defaulting States.

**Report of the Task Force on Privatisation of Power Sector**

3828. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Task Force constituted by Government in August, 1992 for examining the matter pertaining to privatisation of power sector has since submitted its report;

(b) if so, what are the details of its recommendations and what is Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether there is any proposal to privatise power distribution in the other cities also;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) by when the same is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAEDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Task Force has recommended the introduction of private sector in power generation, transmission and distribution in Delhi, excluding NDMC and Canton ment areas. The Task Force has also re commended that only the secondary trans mission and distribution system should be handed over to private sector and propo sals for this purpose may be invited through competitive bidding, on the basis of specified parameters. Regarding genera tion, it has been recommended that only future generating facilities in Delhi may be entrusted to the Private Sector. Accord ingly, it has been decided to privatise electricity distribution in Delhi.

(c) to (e) Under the Electricity Laws, State Govts, are competent to entrust dis tribution of power to any agency they may

wish to, including private power companies. According to information available, distribution of electricity has been handed over to a private sector company in Greater Noida by the concerned State Government. Government of Orissa has proposed to entrust distribution in Bhubaneshwar and Cuttack Electricity Circles to private sector companies, for which they have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the concerned private companies.

**विदेशी विद्युत संस्थाओं द्वारा वित्तीय परियोजनाओं के लिए दी गई वित्तीय सहायता का उपयोग न किया जाना**

3829. श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज : क्या विद्युत मंत्री 8 मार्च, 1994 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न सं० 2198 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 31 मार्च, 1993 की स्थिति के अनुसार विद्युत परियोजनाओं के लिए अप्रयुक्त विदेशी सहायता राशि की मात्रा कितनी थी; और

(ख) 31 मार्च, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार विद्युत परियोजनाओं के निर्माण में विलम्ब के कारण देश में विद्युत उत्पादन के लिए निर्धारित लक्ष्यों में कितनी कमी आई है तथा उपर्युक्त अवधि के दौरान कितनी अतिरिक्त धनराशि व्यय की गई थी ?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) : (क) और (ख) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

**Power Plants in Andhra Pradesh**

3830. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have not been able to commission new power plants in Andhra Pradesh during the last two years;

(b) the details of power plants completed during the same period; and

(c) how many other power plants are under construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) During the last two years i.e. in 1992-93 and 1993-94, the following generating units have been rolled/commissioned in Andhra Pradesh:—

| SI. No, | Name of Project | Installed Capacity (MW) | Unit No. & rating in MW | Date of rolled/ commissioning |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| HYDRO | | 2x10 | Unit 1—10 | 10-1-94 |
| 1. | Penna Ahobilam | | Unit 2—10 | (Commissioned) 23-1-94 (Commissioned) |
| 2. | Upper Sileru St. II . | 2x60 | Unit 1—60 | 31-3-94 (rolled) |
| THERMAL | | 210 MW | Unitl | 31-3-94 (rolled) |
| 1. | Rayalseema | 210 MW | Unit 5 | 31-3-94 |
| 2. | Vijayawada | | | (Commissioned) |

(c) The following sanctioned power projects are under construction in Andhra Pradesh :—

| SI. No. | Name of Project | Installed Capacity (MW) |
|---|---|---|
| HYDRO | | |
| 1. | UpperSileruSt.il . | 2 x 60 (one unit already spun in 93-94) |
| 2. | Srisailam LBPH . | . 6x150 |
| 3. | Baliraeli..... , | . 2x30 |
| 4. | Somasila .... | . 2x5 |
| 5. | Guntur Branch Canal | . 2x2 |
| 6. | Guntur Branch Canal | . 2x2.25 |
| 7. | Singur..... | . 2x7.5 |